

D. KENT MICHIE Insurance Commissioner Utah Insurance Department

JOHN 'MICKEY' BRAUN, JR, CIE Assistant Commissioner Office of the Commissioner

Bail Bond Oversight Board Meeting

Meeting Information

<u>Date</u>: September 17, 2008 <u>Time</u>: Noon <u>Place</u>: Capitol Board Room

(2nd Floor, East end)

Board Members

(Attendees = x)

xDominic Sanone, ChairmanxWayne Carlos, Vice-ChairmanClayton A. Simms, LLCxMichael WeddingtonxCamille L. NeiderxBert ChristensonxMickey BraunxMegan I. Corrent

Insurance Department Staff

xPerri Babalis xBrad Tibbitts Tara Buehner xTracy Klausmeier xJilene Whitby xRobert Herrera

MINUTES

Welcome

Dominic began the meeting at 12:10pm. No members of the public were present. **Executive Session** (Closed to the Public)

General Session (Open to the Public)

• Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mike made a **motion** to accept the minutes without change, Bert seconded it and the vote was unanimous.

• Approval of Recommended Actions from Executive Session

No recommendations made in Executive Session.

- Application / Mickey Braun
 - o None
- **Power of Attorney Forms** / Tracy Klausmeier

Tracy noted that her questions were answered in last month's meeting. No further discussion was needed.

Old Business

Decision Re: Rule Changes to R590-186 & 196 / Mickey

The Commissioner accepted the recommendations of the Board regarding the changes to these rules. The proposed changes will not be put into effect. The rules remain as though no changes had been proposed. The 5% Bail Bond application will be reopened and decided in a formal hearing by the department's administrative law judge. His decision can be appealed.

- New Business
 - Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Mike made a motion to continue with Dominic as the chair and Wayne as the vice chair. They accepted the nomination and Camille seconded it. The vote was unanimous.

o Travel Fee / Wayne

Wayne asked if anyone knew of a bondsman charging a travel fee? Dominic said they

charged \$15-20 sometimes. Camille said that some charge a fuel charge. Tracy said that under "other Fees" there is a travel fee.

o Email Addresses / Robert

A letter will go out soon asking bail bond agencies to provide the department with their email address. This will allow agencies to receive bail forfeiture notices. The computer will show if an email is delivered. Dominic said that some courts send them certified and some don't. Robert calls those that don't have fax machines and email addresses.

o **Exonerating a bond** / Mike

Mike said that 77-20-7(2) needs to be strengthened. It may be done by simply replacing the "may" with "shall." The courts have said that the law was unclear regarding the requirement to exonerate a bond when an indictment has not been filed within 120-days of the bail undertaking. David Walsh may be approached to strengthen this law.

• *Adjourned:* Wayne made a **motion** to adjourn at 1pm, Mike seconded it and the vote was unanimous.

2008 Meetings

Oct 15, Rm 1112 Nov 19, Capitol Board Rm Dec 17, Capitol Board Rm